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2012 Conservation Grant Awards Announced

The State Conservation Committee announces today that it is awarding \$233,167 in Conservation Grants to twelve New Hampshire municipalities and conservation organizations.

The State Conservation Committee (SCC) announces the 2012 Conservation Grant Program recipients who are to be awarded a total of \$233,167 in grant funds. The SCC's recommendations will be considered by Governor and Council in 2012.

The 2012 grant award recipients include:

1. Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, Patten Easement: \$15,000
2. Bow High School, Bow Community Trails Project: \$7,850
3. Cheshire County Conservation District, Cheshire County Skidder Bridge Initiative: \$11,946
4. Town of Franconia, Franconia Conservation Plan: \$4,999
5. City of Franklin, Webster Lake Water Quality Enhancements Project: \$4,999
6. Town of Fremont Conservation Commission, Smith Land Acquisition: \$15,000
7. Town of Goffstown, The Roberts Farm: \$30,000
8. Merrimack County Conservation District, Eastern Brook Trout Conservation Through Mill Brook Restoration: \$11,850
9. National Wildlife Turkey Federation, New Hampshire Upland Restoration Project: \$3,790
10. NH Lakes Association, Protecting Merrimack County's Waters through Rain Barrels: \$4,999
11. NH Jobs for America's Graduates, Expanding Environmental Stewardship Opportunities for North Country Teens: \$4,999
12. Rockingham County Conservation District, Odiorne Point State Park Restoration: \$22,815
13. Town of Rye Conservation Commission, Growing Green Initiative at Goss Farm: \$20,280
14. Strafford County Conservation District, Rockingham and Strafford County Small Farm Nutrient Management System: \$20,925
15. Society for the Protection of NH Forest, Stowell Forest and Royce Conservation Easement Acquisition: \$30,000
16. The Nature Conservancy, NH Chapter, Great Bay Estuary Oyster Restoration Expansion: \$23,715

“The State Conservation Committee is pleased to support these important conservation projects in communities throughout New Hampshire” said Dea Brickner-Wood, Administrator for the SCC’s Conservation Grant Program.

The State Conservation Committee’s annual competitive grant program provides funds to projects that result in the improvement of water quality, protection of wildlife habitat, prevention of erosion and flooding, implementation of best management practices and conservation planning, and the permanent protection of conservation land. To learn more about the State Conservation Committee Conservation Grant Program, visit www.nh.gov/scc/grants

The SCC Conservation Grant Program is funded through the purchase of Conservation License Plates, known as “Moose Plates”. The State of New Hampshire dedicates all funds raised through the purchase of Moose Plates to the promotion, protection and investment in New Hampshire's natural, historical and cultural resources. To buy a Moose Plate, visit your municipal office in person when you register your car, and gift certificates may be purchase at www.mooseplate.com

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